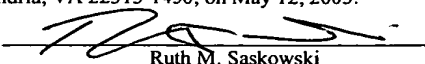


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In the application of:

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Examiner: Amy J. Nelson, Ph.D.

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 10 January 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 10 April 2003. A Petition for an Extension of Time of one (1) month until 12 May 2003 (May 10th being a Saturday) is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The considered claims, claims 1, 27, 28, 42, 48, 51 and 54-58 were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Enclosed is the following Exhibit A:

Exhibit A: Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.

